

NETTLESTEAD PARISH COUNCIL
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 6TH JULY 2017 AT 7.45PM,
NETTLESTEAD VILLAGE HALL, NETTLESTEAD

Members Present

Cllr David Meredith (chairman)
Cllr Jackie Bennett
Cllr Alan Hill
Cllr Emily Salter
Cllr Avril Watson

Also in attendance – the Clerk Mrs Michelle Rumble, 2 members of the public

1 Apologies for absence

Cllr Van-Hensbergen, Cllr Thomas and PCSO Nicola Morris

2. Declarations of Pecuniary interests on any item on the agenda.

Where any councillor has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (as defined in the Members' Code of Conduct) in any matter to be considered at a meeting of the Council, a committee, sub-committee or joint committee, they must withdraw from the meeting room during the whole of the consideration of that matter and must not participate in any vote on that matter unless a dispensation has been obtained from the Monitoring Officer.

Cllr Meredith declared an interest in All Seasons Grounds maintenance and will not take part in any such discussion.

The meeting was then adjourned to hear from members of the public.

Two residents were present and one spoke on the parking in Bryant Close and that residents were now parking on the grassed area at the end of the road. The resident stated that she would like to see this area as a grassed area and not for parking on. The resident had contacted Golding Homes and Maidstone Borough Council. The Clerk was also asked to contact both on their behalf and the Parish Council.

CLERK

The other resident was here to speak about the footpath opposite the Village Hall, the footpath in question is KM179 and there is a tree from a grassed area next to the footpath and the roots are lifting the tarmac on the footpath. The Clerk was asked to contact the landowner to ask if the tree could be cut back or removed.

CLERK

The members of the public left the meeting and the meeting resumed at 8pm

3. Confirmation of Minutes of June Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 1 June 2017 were approved and signed as a true and correct record, **RESOLVED** by all member's present.

4. Matters arising from the minutes

Flood survey

Cllr Meredith spoke on the Flood survey, the Environment agency were still waiting for a response from two properties and this was being followed up by Andy Gray from the Environment Agency.

Buses

Cllr Meredith stated an article had been placed in the Parish magazine and the Clerk reported receiving two responses from parishioners on this matter.

Network Rail

The Clerk had written to Network Rail about the Yalding Station crossing and was waiting for a reply

5. **Neighbourhood Watch**

Cllr Hill had nothing to report.

6. **Police Report**

PSCO Nicola Morris was not in attendance but a report had been received and the following crimes had taken place within the Parish
22nd May – Theft from motor vehicle in Bryant Close
29th May – Theft of Pedal cycle in Maidstone Road

7. **Chatterbox**

Cllr Bennett was in attendance and said that attendance at Chatterbox is very good with 2 new members, the meetings take place every 3rd Tuesday at 1pm.

8. **Parish Magazine**

Cllr Van Hensbergen was not in attendance, but the July/August issue had been produced.

9. **Village Hall**

Cllr Meredith stated that the dog show will be on the field by the Village Hall on the 8th July from 10am to 4pm.

10. **KGV Field**

Grounds Maintenance
The KGV field had been cut today and was looking very nice.

11. **Highways & Footpaths**

11.1 Highway matters

It was reported at the meeting that there had been a pipe installed from the Three Sons property draining into the main drain on the Highway, the Clerk was asked to report this to Maidstone Borough Council Enforcement.

11.2 Bishops Close parking

Cllr Watson was in attendance and she had spoken with Cllr Stockell, who stated that she would chase this with Paul Brand on KCC.

11.3 Footpaths

The Clerk informed members that KM176 would be on the schedule as an extra cut for this year.

11.4 Fire Hydrant Review

The Councillors all agreed to check the Fire Hydrants in their area and report back the findings to the Clerk, who in turn would inform KFRS. It was also RESOLVED to do this Annually.

11.5 Traffic calming

The Clerk had circulated an email received from the Wateringbury Parish Clerk on behalf of their councillors, asking if the Parish Council would be prepared to support a traffic calming measure from Gibbs Hill to Pizien Well Road. The Councillors were very supportive of this and asked the Clerk to inform the Clerk at Wateringbury of their support.

12. Defibrillator

The Clerk updated members on the funding and that she had applied to Cllr Stockell for funding from her Member Grant Scheme for the sum of £866.25, the remaining £500 is to come from a resident and the Parish Council will be paying for the Electrics for £275.00, The Clerk will then place the order once she has confirmation of the Funding from Cllr Stockell.

13. Correspondence

The Clerk had received details from KALC of Lorry Watch, the members all **RESOLVED** that this was not something they wished to take part in.

14. Planning

None

Outcome of Previous Applications

16/501032/FULL – Mousehole lakes, Maidstone Road

Part retrospective application for proposed timber warden’s chalet

APPLICATION PERMITTED

APP/U2235/C/15/3138039 The three sons, Hampstead lane, Nettlestead
(please see paperwork previously sent)

Councillors noted the outcome of this appeal

PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

To resolve and agree on the street name for new development in Nettlestead
The Parish Council had received from Maidstone Borough Council a request asking them to decide on a name for the new development in Nettlestead. Cllr Meredith put forward the name Blumer after Warrant Officer Blumer whose plane had crashed behind the Hop Pole Public House, and a Memorial takes place in the Village every year, after discussion the members all **RESOLVED** to ask the Clerk to put forward the name Blumer Wharf. The Clerk will respond to MBC on this

Enforcement

None

15. Financial matters

a. To make payments

RESOLVED by all members to make the following payments, all cheques will be signed outside the meeting.

NPC CHEQUE LIST JULY 2017					
Cheque No	Gross	VAT	Nett	Supplier	Details
001901	£57.00	nil	£57.00	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Clerks expenses - July
001902	£479.01	nil	£479.01	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Clerk's salary - July

001903	£170.00	nil	£170.00	Rita Parkinson	Parish magazine printing
001904	£128.04	£6.10	£121.94	Eon	Street lighting energy - May
001905	£66.02	£11.00	£55.02	SSE Contracting	Street Lighting maintenance - June
001906	£40.00	nil	£40.00	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Clerks expenses - August (cheque will be dated August)
001907	£479.01	nil	£479.01	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Clerk's salary - August (cheque will be dated August)
001908	£123.91	£5.90	£118.01	Eon	Street Lighting energy - June
TOTAL	£1,542.99	£23.00	£1,519.99		

b. *Budget monitoring report at 06/07/2017*

Noted by all members as correct.

c. Bank Statements

The Chairman and the Clerk as RFO both signed and agreed the statements and reconciliations to date.

16. Future agenda items

Parking update – Bishops Close/Bryant Close
Noticeboard
Footpaths
Defibrillator
Speed calming measures Pizien Well/Gibbs Hill

17. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be the 7th September at 7.45pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00pm